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TO AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE NIACT IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PDIP, PFOR, EK

SUBJECT: INCIDENT IN EQUATORIAL GUINEA

FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM SCHAUFLE

REF: A) YAOUNDE 0898; B) YAOUNDE 0901; C) STATE 58322;

D) YAOUNDE 0914

1. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT THE EMBASSY DELIVER FOLLOWING

MESSAGE THROUGH EQUATORIAL GUINEAN EMBASSY, YAOUNDE:

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BEGIN QUOTE:

NGUEME ESONO NCHAMA
MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS
EQUATORIAL GUINEA

EXCELLENCY:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO YOUR COMMUNICATION TO ME
OF MARCH 10 IN WHICH YOU INFORM ME THAT AMBASSADOR
HERBERT J. SPIRO AND MR. WILLIAM C. MITHOEFER, JR. HAVE

BEEN DECLARED PERSONA NON GRATA BY THE GOVERNMENT OF
EQUATORIAL GUINEA.

IN VIEW OF THE INVITATION EXTENDED RECENTLY TO
AMBASSADOR SPIRO TO VISIT EQUATORIAL GUINEA AND HIS
APPARENTLY WARM RECEPTION BY PRESIDENT MACIAS'WE ARE AT
A LOSS TO EXPLAIN THIS HIGHLY ARBITRARY AND UNWARRANTED
ACTION BY YOUR GOVERNMENT. DURING HIS BRIEF VISITS TO
EQUATORIAL GUINEA, AMBASSADOR SPIRO HAS WORKED HARD AND
HONORABLY TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

YOUR ACTION IN DECLARING PERSONA NON GRATA THE AMBASSADOR
OF A FRIENDLY COUNTRY IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY EXPLANATION
OR ANY BILATERAL CONTENTIONS WARRANTING SUCH ACTION OF
WHICH WE ARE AWARE LEADS US TO DOUBT THE USEFULNESS OF
CONTINUED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. IT IS WITH REGRET
THAT WE FIND OURSELVES COMPELLED THEREFORE TO SUSPEND
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AS A RESULT OF YOUR ACTION. THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES HAS REQUESTED THE
GOVERNMENT OF SPAIN TO ACT AS THE PROTECTING POWER FOR
UNITED STATES INTERESTS IN EQUATORIAL GUINEA.

ACCEPT EXCELLENCY, THE ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CON-
SIDERATION.

HENRY A. KISSINGER
SECRETARY OF STATE END QUOTE

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2. DEPARTMENT IS PREPARING STATEMENT FOR RELEASE IN
WASHINGTON WHICH WILL BE SENT ALONG WITH OTHER GUIDANCE
IN SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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